



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT  
600 ARMY PENTAGON  
WASHINGTON DC 20310-0600



DAIM-ZA

20 JUN 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, 3D BATTALION (TRAINING SUPPORT)(ENGINEER), 3/364<sup>TH</sup> REGIMENT, 4<sup>TH</sup> BRIGADE, 91<sup>ST</sup> DIVISION (TRAINING SUPPORT), BOX 339500, MAIL STOP 100, FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON 98433-9500

SUBJECT: 2003 Army Military Fire Officer and Fire Fighter of the Year

1. Please send my congratulations to SFC Celestino Herrera, Jr. (Encl 1) and SGT Kenneth P. Cato (Encl 2) for winning Army's Military Fire Officer and Military Fire Fighter of the Year Awards. SFC Celestino and SGT Cato now become the Army's nominees for DoD Military Fire Officer and Fire Fighter of the Year awarded at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Department of Defense and International Association of Fire Chiefs Training Conference, 22-28 August 2003, in Dallas, Texas.
2. We will need a short acceptance speech and a digital photo of SFC Herrera and SGT Cato to be used at the Army Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, 26 August. Please e-mail these items to Mr. Park by 15 July 2003.
3. My point of contact is Mr. Bruce Park, P.E., Dir/Fire & Emergency Services, DSN 328-6174, (703) 428-6174, Fax Ext 6197, and e-mail: bruce.park@hqda.army.mil.

2 Encls

LARRY J. LUST  
Major General, U.S. Army  
Assistant Chief of Staff  
for Installation Management

CF:

INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT AGENCY, ATTN: SFIM-OP-P, 2511 JEFFERSON DAVIS HIGHWAY, ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA 22202-3926  
INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT AGENCY, ATTN: SFIM-NW-OP-S, NORTHWEST REGION, 1 ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, ROCK ISLAND, IL 61299-6200  
FORT LEWIS FIRE DEPARTMENT, ATTN: AFZH-PW-F&ES, BOX 339500, FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON 98433-5000



20 JUN 2003

Dear SFC Herrera:

Congratulations on winning Army's 2003 Military Fire Officer of the Year Award. Your selection as Chief Instructor at the DoD Fire Academy, one of only two 51M's in the Army to achieve Fire Officer IV certification, and the first fire fighter to achieve Battalion SGM for the 5<sup>th</sup> U.S. Army Fire Fighting Center of Excellence at Fort Lewis shows you truly lead by example.

Good luck on your nomination for DoD's 2003 Military Fire Officer of the Year Award at the DoD Awards Banquet in Dallas, Texas, 27 August 2003.

Sincerely,

Larry J. Lust  
Major General, U.S. Army  
Assistant Chief of Staff  
for Installation Management

SFC Celestino (Rick) Herrera Jr.  
Fort Lewis Fire Department  
Fort Lewis, WA 98433-5000



20 JUN 2003

Dear SGT Cato:

Congratulations on winning Army's 2003 Military Fire Fighter of the Year Award. Your accomplishments as Ft. Lewis' 2001 and 2002 Military Fire Fighter of the Year and numerous commendations embody the best qualities of an Army fire fighter.

Good luck on your nomination for DoD's 2003 Military Fire Fighter of the Year at the DoD Awards Banquet in Dallas, Texas, 27 August 2003.

Sincerely,

Larry J. Lust  
Major General, U.S. Army  
Assistant Chief of Staff  
for Installation Management

SGT Kenneth P. Cato  
Fort Lewis Fire Department  
Fort Lewis, Washington 98433-5000